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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE TOWN OF

GILMANTON

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

MARCH 1ST, 1889.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF GILMANTON,

COMPRISING THOSE OF THE

SELECTMEN, COLLECTOR, TREASURER, AUDITORS, TOWN CLERK AND SCHOOL BOARD,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING, MARCH 1ST, 1889.

LACONIA, N. H.:
PRESS OF LEWIS, VAUGHAN & CO.
1889.

Collector's Report.

To the Tax-Payers of the Town of Gilmanton, I herewith submit my report as collector:

Whole amount of taxes committed to me for collection,	$11,819 32
" collected and paid to treasurer,	11,819 32
I have received in abatements,	46 10
In above abatements there was over-tax,	26 08
Actual abatements,	20 02
Collected interest to the amount of	34 40

Charles H. Goodwin, Collector.

Interest collected of the following named persons:

Geo. W. Parsons,	03	F. B. Underhill estate,	06
Stephen H. Dearborn,	01	Jos. Brown,	04
Jas. C. Ham,	02	Marcus S. Weeks,	08
John P. Hussey,	02	John Foss,	08
Dudley F. Smith,	01	Harvey Johnson estate,	05
Albert F. Page,	01	Betsey L. Perkins,	07
Stephen S. Moody,	03	Alonzo Burbank,	01
John O. Grant,	03	Horace Chapman heirs,	01
Sam. N. Davis,	01	Geo. W. Gault,	13
Hannah P. Marsh,	02	Josiah A. Batchelder,	02
Jemima Marsh, estate,	02	Luther E. Page,	10
Asahel G Flanders,	02	Sarah A. Cotton,	08
Levi H Mudgett,	02	Horace T. Gilman,	12
Portsmouth savings bank,	05	John W. Rollins,	03
Geo. H. Brown,	06	Leander A. Hilliard,	02
Perley C. Place,	01	John A. Maxfield,	13
Daniel Bickford,	02	Fred V. Pease,	01
Ann W. Lougee,	04	Albert C. Pierce,	04
Eben S. Young,	01	Sam. B. F. Mudgett,	09
Herbert A. Ellis,	01	Matthias Weeks,	29
Edwin K. Edgerly,	01	Betsey Foster,	02
Hannah J. Sargent,	02	Lorenzo W. Downing,	02
Mary Foss,	01	Thos. T. Collins	08
John Q. Adams estate,	02	Frank T. Collins,	01

Jacob D. Merrill,	18
John F. Folsom,	17
Dan. H. Maxfield,	08
Geo. W. Dow, 2d,	07
Joseph Spear,	04
Dudley J. Pease,	07
Nahum Wight heirs,	25
Cong. society, Gilmnt'n I.W.	11
John B. Moore,	01
Abbie E Page,	02
Addie S. Watson,	03
Martha J. Beck,	05
Martha J. Tebbetts,	08
Darius L. Lovejoy,	02
Daniel and Dan. H. Elkins,	48
Josiah D. Nelson,	41
Edwin F. Nelson,	04
Guilford B. Brickett,	03
C. D. and E. L. Gay,	29
Luther B. Place,	04
Eugene L. Mudgett,	13
Elwood H. Hill,	01
Angeline V. Edgerly,	24
Edward E. Smith,	05
Benj. F. Webster,	03
Lizzie A. Tebbetts,	03
John C. Baker,	02
Edwin Varney,	04
John M. Currier estate,	11
Ursula Tappan,	12
Henry E. Marsh,	14
Ed. N. Sanborn,	33
Reuben P. Lougee,	16
Mary J. Maxfield,	02
Josiah R. Morrill,	04
Harvey M. Conner,	20
Leroy B. Pease,	07
Joseph B. McClary,	02
Jonathan McClary estate,	02
Bap.society Lower Gilmnt'n,	06
Geo. F. Kelley,	1 06
John S. Trask,	09
Joseph T. Griffin,	03
Chas. W. Munsey,	28
Geo. C. Prescott,	41
Caleb Hurd,	28
Sarah S. Howard,	11
Jas. H. Weeks,	72
Ann M. Sanborn,	03
Mahala Moulton estate,	01
Chas. J. Brown,	10
Hiram B. Maxfield,	13
G. W. and Fr. Griffin,	40
Weymouth Bean,	20
Reuben Giles,	17
Fred S. Giles,	04
Wm. Canney,	07
Ed. S. Mudgett,	50
Olive J. Green,	16
Dana L. Marsh,	04
Asa and Edgar A. Page,	13
Alfred S. Hilliard,	04
Chas. A. Hilliard,	06
Geo. E. Drake,	16
Noah and Herbert N. Weeks,	14
Geo. W. Merrill,	03
Ann E. Jacobs,	14
Geo. W. Adams,	34
Sam. G. Stiles,	06
Zamanda Garland,	21
Joseph R. Hill,	18
Jeremiah Blake,	82
Geo. W. Anderson,	97
Jas. W. Cogswell,	1 31
Jonathan Sleeper,	13
Josiah J. Bean,	1 34
Geo. Montgomery,	54
Elbridge G. Clough,	43
Jas. C. Shannon,	10
Ezekiel Witham,	21
Ella A. Smith,	03
Luanna M. Peaslee,	09
Heirs of Robert Peaslee,	08
Calie W. J. Peaslee,	36
Chas. H. Perkins,	12
Chas. A. Price,	25
Geo. E. Shannon,	29
Augustus W. Smith,	14

Edwin J. Page,	26
Joshua Colby,	20
Sylvester Goodwin,	28
Chas. H. Shannon,	55
John K. Dudley,	47
Levi T. Young,	12
H. B. Kimball,	19
John and Sam. Eveleth,	1 11
Benj. French estate,	90
Benj. Hall heirs,	48
Jas. A. Jones,	1 11
John S. R. Brown,	40
Chas. A. Hatch,	2 18
W. S. P. Sanderson,	34
Wm. Sidney,	15
Frances Hodgdon heirs,	20
Henry E. Marsh,	87
C. K. Dockham,	1 19
On property sold for taxes,	3 46
	$34 40

Treasurer's Report.

JOHN CONNELL in account with the town of Gilmanton:

1888.		
March 1,	To cash in hands of treasurer,	$3,534 61
April 14,	hired of Melinda B. Avery,	132 00
July 7,	received of selectmen for highway tax of '87 not worked,	3 96
Dec. 1,	received for oxen sold,	130 00
1889.		
Jan. 14,	" of state for railroad tax,	45 75
"	" " savings bank "	1,712 27
"	" " literary fund,	189 54
Feb. 23,	" for oxen sold,	120 00
Received of Chas. H. Goodwin, collector in '88.		11,853 72
		$17,721 85

PAID OUTSTANDING ORDERS AND INTEREST.

1888.		
March 2,	By paid H. S. Page order and interest in full.	$ 237 75
7,	M. Nelson, order in part,	22 80
12,	M. J. Potter, "	15 00
22,	B. Hussey, interest on 2 orders.	6 00
24,	M. A. Nelson, order in part.	24 40
April 3,	A. V. Edgerly, "	19 00
16,	R. M. Gray, order in full.	357 57
"	" "	307 27
"	J. A. Edgerly, order in part,	5 40
18,	J. Lougee, "	4 81
"	R. Lougee, "	15 00
"	D. Connell, "	9 12
28,	Geo. M. Bunker, order in full,	37 20
30,	A. P. Shannon, " part,	5 15
May, 14,	A. T. Page, " full,	53 34
15,	O. J. Edgerly, " part	60 00
June, 12,	L. F. Edgerly, " "	11 03
July, 11,	A. N. Parsons, " "	14 93

Aug. 7.	By paid A. T. Page, order in part,	$ 12 00
"	E. H. Hill, " "	25 00
22,	S. A. Cotton, interest on 3 orders,	9 15
27,	A. T. Page, order in part,	50 00
Sept. 17,	S. D. Nutter, "	3 00
19,	J. H. Beck, order in full,	8 18
Oct. 13,	B. Hussey, "	25 97
17,	S. D. Nutter, " part,	60 00
18,	A. T. Page, " "	20 00
Nov. 5,	E. E. Stockbridge, order and interest in full,	6 94
"	" " "	5 95
10,	E. H. Hill, balance " "	55 11
12,	M. J. Potter, order in part,	7 50
24,	J. T. Gilman, two orders in part,	7 50
Dec. 1,	J. Lougee, order in part,	50 00
"	Ira Shannon, "	50 00
"	Chas. Varney, "	30 08
9,	J. E. Osgood, order and interest in full,	119 65
31,	B. Hussey, " " "	51 14
"	" " " "	25 60
1889.		
Jan. 10,	A. W. Lougee, order in part,	10 00
Feb. 6,	J. T. Gilman, "	7 50
22,	The several religious societies,	25 06
		$2,885 77

By paid Solon A. Carter, state tax,	$1,400 00
A. D. Plummer, county tax,	1,535 77
O. J. Edgerly, school money,	1,476 10
" school-house money,	635 00

MISCELLANEOUS CURRENT EXPENSES.

By paid R. M. Gray for reporting one death,	25
Estate of F. E. Shannon, reporting 1 birth,	25
D. Cook, use watering trough, '87,	3 00
Geo. H. Brown, report. 13 births and deaths,	3 25
D. Beede, labor and care of town hall March 13 and 17, '88,	4 00
J. B. Sanborn, blank books,	5 35
J. R. Munsey, for express on reports,	50
A. F. Paige, for decorating soldiers' graves in '87-8,	50 00
E. S. Mudgett, use watering trough, '87,	1 50
Lewis, Vaughan & Co., printing town and school reports, '87,	40 00

By paid J. R. Munsey, copying invoice of '88,	$ 8 00
" cash paid freight on safe,	9 80
J. R. Berry, reporting death of D. G. Allen,	25
S. A. Taylor, " 5 births and 3 deaths,	2 00
Z. H. Kitchen, use watering trough '88,	3 00
R. M. Gray, reporting one death,	25
C. E. Merrill, wood furnished town for town and school meetings,	2 18
J. W. Marsh, shoeing oxen, repairing road machine, and iron for railing,	13 65
Wm. Gray, shoeing oxen,	3 25
M. C. Lamprey, use watering trough '88,	3 00
A. P. Munsey, " "	3 00
H. Beede, labor in hall, Nov. '88,	2 00
B. M. Hoadley, board of town officers,	3 00
A. P. Ellsworth, use watering trough '88,	3 00
Thos. Cogswell, pasturing oxen and board of same,	10 00
Damon Safe & Iron Co., safe,	175 00
C. A. Price, use watering trough '87,	3 00
J. C. Ham, board of oxen,	5 25
G. C. Prescott, use watering trough '88,	3 00
H. E. Marsh, board supervisors and horse keeping in '87-8,	15 00
C. A. Osborn, use watering trough '88,	1 50
Lewis, Vaughan & Co., printing blanks,	5 00
J. Connell & Co., meal for oxen,	5 45
A. R. Page, cash paid out,	2 56
C. H. Connell, boarding town officers, horse baiting, and rent,	46 50
O. J. Edgerly, board school-board,	7 50
G. W. Parsons, "	3 00
	$447 24

Roads and Bridges.

By paid J. L. Clifford, for labor on highway,	$ 3 25
A. V. Edgerly, bridge plank '87,	1 13
E. E. Merrill, furn. and setting guide-post,	1 00
" labor on highway '87,	38
G. L. Dow, money paid labor on highway '88,	4 95
E. S Mudgett, " '87,	5 25
A. R. Page, cash paid road machine blade, bolts and freight on same,	8 76
E. Hill, rock chain for use of town,	2 75

By paid G. H. Greenough, damage to carriage. '88,	$ 4 50
J. Nutter, 4 oxen for the town,	260 00
G. H. and W. C. Greenough, labor and bridge plank.	5 10
C. E. Plummer, damage to plow, '88,	3 25
M. C. Lamprey, labor highway and money paid labor on highway, '88,	23 00
J. Brown, labor running road machine, money paid board of oxen, shoeing oxen, repairing machine.	83 75
E. E. Witham, labor on highway.	52 50
Cyrus Varney, damage to plow, '88,	3 50
W. E. Marsh, " wagon, "	2 45
F. D. Young, oak posts, labor and money paid for labor on highway, '88,	18 62
E. J. Lord, labor on bridges, railing roads, '88,	7 75
S D. Nutter, " railing roads, '88,	6 62
C. W. Munsey, expense "	13 97
J. R. Munsey, labor running road machine 27 days and money paid board of oxen, repairs machine,	117 21
E. J. Lord, labor on highway in '88,	1 00
N. Pulsifer, " "	10 00
C. E. Plummer, " rails for highway "	18 75
S. W. Sargent, " "	1 95
J. S. Page, " "	2 50
E. S. Nelson, " "	1 63
" bridge plank, use of town, "	10 28
D. Cook, lumber and labor on highway, '87.	4 63
C. F. Merrill, labor highway, repairing bridges, '88,	6 56
O. L. Green, " material for railing bridges "	4 50
A. H. Emerson, railing for bridges and sawing guide posts.	8 47
W. C. Greenough, bridge plank, labor highway, "	30 92
J. R. Munsey, labor on highway, "	11 87
" money paid labor and material for railing highway and bridges, "	80 43
A. J. Lamprey, labor on highway, "	3 00
N. B Jones, guide posts and boards, rep. bridges and culverts, "	17 40
M. C. Lamprey, labor on highway, "	13 00
" powder, use drills on highway, "	1 25
H. F. Lamprey, labor on highway "	6 25
J. H. Haynes, damage to horse in Jan. '89,	10 00
G. A. Sargent, labor on highway '88,	6 00
S. B. Swain, " "	2 50
C. Lamprey, " "	2 50

By paid A. R. Page, labor on highway, '88,	$ 1 25
" cash paid for gas pipe for railing and drawing same from Laconia,	3 00
E. E. Witham, labor on highway and board oxen,	72 00
J. T. Watson, " " '88,	1 87
T. B. Lane, labor and material for railing, Wiley bridge,	2 50
" " money paid for iron for railing roads,	2 88
J. S. Osborn, labor on highway. money paid for same,	5 50
C. A. Johnson, " and lumber for railing bridges and highway,	10 35
C. A. Price, bridge plank for use of town in '88,	21 39
B. F. Webster, labor on highway "	2 00
W. B. French, expense railing road in Jones' distrist,	14 63
J. R. Munsey, labor on highway, money paid for same,	4 40
M. Weeks, " " in 1888,	2 50
G. C. Prescott, " " "	3 15
J. P. Hussey, bridge plank for use of town in '88,	7 69
A V. Edgerley, " " " " "	65
J. L. Clifford, railing bridges, labor on highway in '88,	6 44
J. C. Baker, damage to plow, "	2 50
J. H. Drew, labor on highway, "	1 58
H. E. Marsh, " " "	14 25
J. A. Jones, bridge plank and labor on highway. "	3 56
J. Connell & Co., nails for bridges,	1 83
	$1,071 00

By paid C. H. Goodwin, expense breaking roads, winter '87-8, $3,298 56

ABATEMENTS.

By paid D. S. Ayer, abatement for loss of ox in 1887,	$ 1 18
E. R. Wright, " over-tax "	2 09
W. N. Swain, " " "	2 09
C. Danforth, " " "	3 09
D. Willard, " " "	2 09
F. C. Page, " " "	2 09
G. W. Griffin, " horse and cow lost in '88.	1 08
C H. Goodwin, Col., abatement taxes for year '88,	12 54
" " " " " '87-8,	6 60
A. W. Smith, " over-tax in '88,	2 09
C. H. Goodwin, abatement G. W. Burr's poll-tax, '88,	2 09
" " " D. Elkins' highway tax, '87.	4 71
" " " F. Clark's poll-tax, '88,	2 09
H. E. Marsh, " horse lost, "	2 30
M S. Gale, " back taxes in 1878,	93 08
	$139 21

POOR OF THE TOWN.

By paid M. A. Bunker for board of Mrs. S. A. Young, from Feb 25th to March 31st, 1888,		$ 7 50
J. George & Co., for board of Mrs. S. A Young, from Jan. 14th to Feb. 24th, 1888,		8 76
J. Connell & Co., for aid to Mrs. S. A. Young,		2 55
Geo. H. Brown, medical aid to W Sidney,		4 00
J. F. Folsom, wood furnished E. Hale,		5 00
S. A. Taylor, med. aid to Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Dockham,		35 25
C. S. Page, for two cords of wood furnished "		7 00
A. R Page, aid to M. B. Dockham,		10 10
S. A. Blake, board of Mrs. S. A. Young, from April 20 to to June 15th, 1888,		12 00
J. R. Munsey, aid to Hannah Buswell,	1889.	1 00
Geo. H. Brown, med. aid to Wm. Sidney,	"	17 10
" " " " M. B. Dockham,	"	10 50
C. S. Page, aid to "	"	25 50
J. F. Folsom, wood furnished E. Hale,	"	8 25
W. S. P. Sanderson, aid to E. Hale,	"	4 13
" " " " Wm. Sidney,	"	1 15
" " " " M. B Dockham,	"	2 55
S. H. Dearborn, " Mrs. E. Hale,	"	16 47
" " " H. Buswell,	"	3 87
C. H. French, care of E. Hale during his sickness, 1889,		8 00
Geo. H. Brown, med. aid to E. Hale in 1887 and 1888,		34 50
S. A. Blake, board of Mrs. S. A Young from June 15th to Sept. 28th, 1888,		22 50
C. F. Davis, board of Mrs. S. A. Young from March 31st to April 20th, 1888,		4 29
George W. Parsons, for book furnished indigent children in 1888,		2 99
T B. Lane, aid to E. Hale,	1888,	2 00
J. F. Folsom, wood furnished Mrs. E. Hale,	"	5 00
" " for two cords of wood and fitting the same, furnished Mrs. E. Hale in 1888,		10 00
M. A. Bunker, board of Mrs. S. A. Young, from Sept. 28th, to Jan. 11th, 1889,		22 50
A. R Page, for aid furnished Mrs. S. A. Young, 1888,		2 00
C. S. Page, " " M. B. Dockham,	"	25 65
W. S. P. Sanderson, " " "	"	1 35
" " " " E. Hale,	"	2 00
" " " " William Sidney,	"	75
G. H. Brown, " " M. B. Dockham,	"	9 00
" " " " William Sidney,	"	50

By paid J. Connell & Co , aid furnished S. A. Young,	'88,	$ 87
" " " " M. B. Dockham.	"	36 74
J. Connell, morphene furnished Mrs. M. B. Dockham,		40 40
G. W. Parsons, books furnish indigent children,	"	3 48
F. M. Twombly, " " "	"	2 15
		$419 35

Aid to Dependent Soldiers.

By paid L Pickering, aid to self,		$10 00
E. J. Page, board of A. S. Gale from March 12th to June 11th, 1888,		13 00
J. R. Berry, med. aid to D. G. Allen,	1887-1888	1 50
Geo. H. Brown, " W. H. Adams,	"	6 00
M. E. Sargent, board of "	"	28 22
W. S. P. Sanderson, aid to "	"	1 25
E. J. Page, board of A. S. Gale from June 16th to Sept. 29th,	"	15 00
C. G. Sanborn, board of W. H. Adams from Nov. 5th to Jan. 1st, 1889.		20 00
E. J. Gale, board of S. A. Gale from Sept. 29th to Dec. 29th,	1888,	13 00
C. E. Plummer, aid to J. Page and family,	"	47 50
Geo. H. Brown, med. aid to J. Page and family,	"	46 00
A. S. Watson, for board of A. S. Gale from Dec. 30th, 1888, to Feb. 25th, 1889,		8 00
W. S. P. Sanderson, aid to William Adams,		20
G. H. Brown, " " "		6 50
		$216 17

Town Officers.

By paid A. A. Jones, services as auditor,	1887,	$ 5 00
S. Goodwin, " "	"	5 00
O. Duncan, " police officer,	"	10 00
W. S. P. Sanderson, town clerk, in part,	1888,	22 01
F. N. Merrill, " supervisor,	1887- "	18 00
M. C. Lamprey, " committee at Hall's Hill school house, April 28th,	1888,	2 00
J. W. Ham, services as selectman, in Mar.,	"	3 00
W. S. P. Sanderson, town clerk,	"	19 58
G. W. Parsons, " supervisor, to Nov.	1889,	18 00
H. E. Marsh, " supervisor,	1887-1888,	20 00
C. H. Goodwin, " collector,	"	150 00
C. H. Page, " moderator of school meetings,	"	4 00

By paid J. Connell,	services as treasurer,	1888,	$ 60 00
A. R. Page,	" selectman,	"	67 25
T. B. Lane,	" "	"	46 00
J. R. Munsey,	" "	"	57 25
			$507 09

Damage Done Domestic Animals.

By paid S. E. Eveleth,	order for	$ 4 00
S. Gilman,	"	24 00
E. Hill,	"	9 00
C. A. Hatch,	"	8 00
H. Buswell,	"	8 00
E. G. Clough,	"	4 00
C. P. Webster,	"	24 00
N. B. Sanborn,	"	4 00
J. B. Durrell,	"	8 00
C. A. Price,	"	5 00
		$98 00

Expenses of Board of Education.

By paid J. F. Weeks services as member of school board for year ending March 1, '88,	24 00
W. S. P. Sanderson, services as clerk of school dist. for the year '88,	5 00
School board services for year '88,	100 00
	$129 00

RECAPITULATION.

To amount charged to Treasurer by selectmen,		$17,721 85
By paid outstanding orders and interest,	2,885 77	
current expenses, miscellaneous,	447 24	
" " roads and bridges,	1,071 00	
" " abatements,	129 21	
" " aid to soldiers,	216 17	
" " poor of town,	419 35	
" " town officers,	507 09	
" " school board,	129 00	
Damage done domestic animals,	98 00	
School money,	1,476 10	
School house money,	635 00	
County tax,	1,535 77	
State tax,	1,400 00	

By paid expense of breaking roads in winter '87-8,	$3,298 56	
Two notes in favor of town,	197 16	
Cash in hands of treasurer,	3,276 43	
		$17,721 85

Settled as above.

JOHN CONNELL, Treasurer.

ALBERT R. PAGE, JAY R. MUNSEY, THOMAS B. LANE } Selectmen of Gilmanton.

We, the undersigned, have carefully examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched, and a balance of $3,463 59 in hands of treasurer.

JOHN W. HAM, JOSIAH D. NELSON. } Auditors.

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN

O. E. Moulton, bal. order for	$8 44	Interest due March 1, '89,	$ 34
L. A. Hussey, 2 "	425 68	do.	82 22
E. Holbrook, bal. "	92 94	do.	6 38
C. F. Moulton, 2 "	11 06	do.	3 34
E. Hill, bal. "	463 61	do.	13 91
S. A. Cotton, 3 "	305 00	do.	9 65
Bearer, "	417 81	do.	25 06
M. Nelson, "	200 00	do.	10 50
M. R. Lougee, "	65 00	do.	7 34
S. L. Mudgett, "	500 00	do.	23 42
M. R. Lougee, "	50 00	do.	5 53
J. Watson, bal. 2 orders,	180 00	do.	31 88
M. A. Nelson, "	200 00	do.	5 62
M. E. Nelson, order for	10 09	do.	1 31
M. L. Dow, "	104 07	do.	15 95
A. T. Page, bal. "	30 00		
M. A. Lougee, 2 "	459 34	do.	67 39
A. P. Shannon, "	171 72	do.	5 06
R. Lougee, "	500 00	do.	14 45
J. A. Edgerly, bal. "	180 00	do.	5 06
N. Hodgdon, "	100 00	do.	11 89
J. Lougee, bal. "	156 75	do.	5 10
S. D. Nutter, "	40 00	do.	2 22
M. J. Potter, "	500 00	do.	6 96
L. F. Edgerly, "	367 60	do.	10 20
M. A. Hurd, "	300 00	do.	29 32
A. V. Edgerly, bal. "	630 00	do.	17 43
A. W. Lougee, " "	235 00	do.	35 43

S. S. Young 5	orders for	$631 39	Interest due March 1, '89,	$98 37
A. M. Hurd,	"	93 43	do.	10 99
O. J. Edgerly,	"	1000 00	do.	26 50
M. O. Merrill,	"	350 00	do	19 77
D. G. Edgerly, bal.	"	200 00	do.	24 47
D. Connell,	" "	100 62	do.	2 67
J. Young,	" "	420 93	do.	50 30
M. Nelson,	"	380 00	do.	15 90
C. S. Page, guardian,	ord. for	30 00	do.	3 08
M. R. Lougee,	order for	30 00	do.	2 88
Chas. Varney,	"	1002 67	do.	5 43
J. T. Gilman, 2	"	250 00	do.	61
J. Young, bal.	"	25 00	do.	2 91
A. L. Lougee,	"	86 00	do.	5 08
Vona Ham,	"	50 00	do.	2 37
M. B. Avery,	"	132 00	do.	3 49
A. N. Parsons,	"	227 34	do.	1 70
M. M. Lougee,	"	40 00	do.	4 72
Ira Shannon, bal.	"	112 28	do.	5 99
H. N. Weeks,	"	1 00		
J. T. Watson,	"	1 00		$740 19
E. S. Mudgett	"	4 84		
G. W. Sanborn,	"	2 00		
J. M. Pickering,	"	40		
E. E. Merrill,	"	33		
"	"	44		
S. B. F. Mudgett,	"	1 15		
L. M. Page,	"	3 00		
I. A. Clough,	"	3 00		
G. F. Kelley,	"	1 50		
J. Brown,	"	1 00		
G. W. Sanborn,	"	2 00		
Dog money in town hands,		154 00		
Amt. due March 1, '89,		$12,041 93		
Interest	"	740 19		
		$12,782 12		

ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Cash in hands of Treasurer,	$3,276 43	
Two notes in favor of the town,	197 16	
Two safes,	349 30	
Land purchased for town,	100 00	
One road machine,	200 00	
		$4,122 89

Indebtedness over means, March 1,	1888,	$9,817 96
" " " "	1889,	8,505 23
Reduction of debt in 1888,		$1,312 73

JOHN CONNELL, Treasurer.

ALBERT R. PAGE,
JAY R. MUNSEY,
THOMAS B. LANE, } Selectmen of Gilmanton.

JOHN W. HAM,
JOSIAH D. NELSON. } Auditors.

Births Recorded in the Town of Gilmanton for the Year Ending December 31, 1888.

Date of Birth		Name of Child (if any)	Sex and Condition. Male.	Female.	Living or Stillborn.	No. of Child 1st, 2d, &c.	Color.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Color.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.
Jan.				F	Living.	1	W	Charles Johnson.	Mamie Goodwin.	White.	Gilton.	Farmer.	Strafford.	Gilmanton.
	25		M		"	1	"	Benj. F. Webster.	Elizabeth Smith.	"	"	"	Gilmanton.	
Feb.	25			F	"	4	"	Thos. M. Greenough.	Etta F. Robinson.	"	"	"	Concord.	West Rumney.
March	28		M		"	10	"	Orrin W. Gray.	Carrie O. Cater.	"	"	Sawyer.	Barrington.	Dover.
	28			F	"	11	"	Orrin W. Gray.	Carrie O. Cater.	"	"	"	"	"
May	13	Mertie Estelle.		F	"	1	"	George A. Jones.	Olive E. Moody.	"	"	Laborer.	Gilmanton.	Canterbury.
	15			F	"	2	"	Fred Pickering.	Clara ——	"	"	Storekeeper.	Barnstead.	
	27		M		"	6	"	Royal Page.	Annie ——	"	"	Farmer.	Gilmanton.	Gilmanton.
July				F	"	2	"	Jos. Jones.		"	"	"		
	26		M		"	2	"	Frank M. Twombly.	Florence A. Sanborn.	"	"	"	"	"
Aug.	12			F	"	2	"	Caleb Dexter.	Hattie Gault.	"	"	Gen'l laborer.	Strafford.	"

Marriages Recorded in the Town of Gilmanton for the Year Ending December 31, 1888.

Date of Mar.		Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in years.	Color of Each.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of Each.	Name of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation	*Condition.	Name, Residence, and Official Station of person by whom married.
Jan.	2	Gilmanton.	Jonathan Sleeper.	Gilmanton.	69	W	Farmer.	Alton.	Jonathan Sleeper.	Brentwood.	Farmer.	2d	Thomas Cogswell, Justice, Gilmanton.
									Mary Woodman.	Alton,	Housewife.		
			Emma A. Bemis.	"	34	"	Housewife.	Salem.	Timothy Wiggin.			"	
	4	Tilton.	Seldon J. Davis.	"	24	"	Stage-Drivr	Springfield.	Samuel L. Davis.	Springfield.	Stage-driv'r	1d	Rev. Theodore G. Wilder, Tilton.
									Edna A. Pillsbury.	"	Housewife.		
			Myra E. Jones.	"	21	"	Dressmaker	Gilmanton.	James A. Jones.	Gilmanton.	Miller	1st	
									Mary E. Locke.	"	Housewife.		
Feb.	2	Gilmanton.	Alfred P. Ellsworth.	"	29	"	Farmer.	"	John Ellsworth.	"	Farmer.	"	" Nelson B. McMurphy, Gilmanton.
									Calista B. Ellsworth.	"	Housewife.		
			Hannah B. Ellsworth	"	34	"	Housewife.	Norwich, Eng.				"	
April	28	Pittsfield.	Josiah A. Batchelder.	"	44	"	Farmer.	Nottingham.	Gideon Batchelder.	Vershire, Vt	Farmer.	2d	" E. P. Moulton, Pittsfield.
									Ruth M. Hill.	Lee.	Housewife.		
			Nellie F. Marshall.	Alton.	32	"	Housewife.	Alton.	Noah Glidden.	Alton.	Clergyman.	1st	
									Susan Glidden.	"	Housewife.		
June	15	Gilmanton.	Frank C. Page.	Gilmanton.	30	"	Laborer.	Gilmanton.	John S. Page.	Gilmanton.	Farmer.	2d	" S.S. N. Greeley, Gilmanton.
									Sarah T. Smith.	"	Housewife.		
			Cora B. Gale.	"	29	"	Teacher.	"	Sylvester J. Gale.	"	Farmer.	1st	
									Harriet S. Gilman.	"	Housewife.		
Nov.	17	"	Charles F. Potter.	"	24	"	Farmer.	"	George H. Potter.	"	Farmer.	"	" M. A. Quimby, Gilmanton.
									Mary J Foss.	"	Housewife.		
			Ardena M. Dimond.	Loudon.	20	"	Teacher.	Loudon.	Jonathan R. Dimond.	Loudon.	Farmer.	"	
									Maria Peaslee.	"	Housewife.		
Dec.	24	"	Usher S. Parsons.	Gilmanton.	23	"	Farmer.	Gilmanton.	George W. Parsons.	Gilmanton.	Farmer.	"	" " " "
									Mary A. Hill.	Alton.	Housewife.		
			Addie M. Hill.	"	23	"	Housewife.	"	Charles W. Hill.	Gilmanton.	Farmer.	"	
									Lydia A. Berry.	New Durham.	Housewife.		

*What Marriage– whether first, second, &c.

Deaths Recorded in the Town of Gilmanton for the Year Ending December 31, 1888.

Date of Death		Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age. Years.	Mos.	Days.	Place of Birth.	Sex.	Color.	Sin., Mar. Widowed.	Occupation.	Place of Birth. Father.	Mother.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
Jan.	2	David G Allen.	56		20	Gilmanton.	M	W	S	Farmer.	Gilmanton.	Gilmanton.	Dudley Allen.	Polly E. Edgerly.
	3	Mary F. Elkins.	80	8	2		F	"						
Feb.	7	Ira Farrar.	76	1	2	"	M	"	M	Farmer.			Josiah Farrar.	Dolly Dow.
	15	Frank E. Shannon.	33	6		"	"	"	"	Physician.	"	Loudon	James C. Shannon.	Judith W. Batchelder.
	15	May Belle Shannon.	17	11		"	F	"	S	Housewife.	"	"	James C. Shannon.	Judith W. Batchelder.
	18	M. Augusta Leavitt.	48	1	22	"	"	"	"	"	Acton, Me.	Gilmanton.	Joseph Leavitt.	Betsey Sweatt.
	23	Eunice Ellsworth.	89				"	"	W	"				
	25	Mrs. Daniel Sargent.	77				"	"	M	"				
March	3	Joshua W. Ayers.	60	11	1	Barnstead.	M	"	"	Farmer.	Greenland.	Greenland.	Samuel Ayers.	Sarah S. Ayers.
	10	Amos G. Drake.	69	6	18	Rye.	"	"	"	"			Gilman Drake.	Eliza Garland.
	17	Mrs. Nancy J. Place.	67	3	16		F	"	"					
	26	Jonathan Brown.	86	7		Chichester.	M	"	"	"	Hampton.	Hampton.	James Brown.	
	28	(Infant.)			1	Gilmanton.	F	"	S		Barrington.	Dover.	Orrin W. Gray.	Carrie O. Cater.
	29	Reuben Edgerly.	84	7	26	Barnstead.	M	"	W	Farmer.	Salisbury, Mass.	Salisbury, Mass.	Ezekiel Edgerly.	Molly Eastman.
April	6	Mary Jane Adams.	61	4	11	Gilmanton.	F	"	M	Housewife.	Gilmanton.	Loudon.	Samuel Parsons.	Jemima Cass.
	16	Rhoda Buzzell.	72				"	"	"	"				
	18	Emanuel Gray.			21	"	M	"	S		Barrington.	Dover.	Orrin W. Gray.	Carrie O Cater.
June	5	Frank A. Carter.	41			Concord.	"	"	M	Railroadman.	Concord.	Concord.	Abial Carter.	Nancy Morrill.
July	29	John Eveleth.	87	6		Ipswich, Mass.	"	"	W	Farmer.			Samuel Eveleth.	Elizabeth Spiller.
Aug.	30	Lyford C. Hill.	81	7			"	"	M					
Sept.	1	Elijah Hale.	47	9			"	B	"	"				
Oct.	13	Samuel D. Nutter.	64			Gilmanton.	"	W	"	Stone-cutter.	Barnstead.	Alton.	Matthias Nutter.	Ruth Glidden.
	26	(Infant.)			1	"	"	"	S		Laconia.	Salisbury.	M. C. Lamprey.	Etta M. Hodge.
Dec.	22	Betsey Hussey.	67	9			F	"						
	23	Caleb Hurd.	84	6			M	"	M					

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief,

WILLIAM S. P. SANDERSON, Town Clerk.

Report of the Board of Education

FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE TOWN OF GILMANTON.

To the Citizens of the Town of Gilmanton:—

The number of schools supported by the town district during the year has been seventeen.

The Kelley school, No. 1; Potter, No. 2; Hall's Hill, No. 3; Pond, No. 4; Smith Meeting House, No. 5; Cogswell, No. 6; Lougeetown, No. 7; Allen's Mills, No. 8; Corner, No. 9; Sanborn, No. 10; Gale, No. 11; Guinea Ridge, No. 12; Jones' Mills, No. 13; Griffin, No. 14; Parish, No. 15; Lamprey, No. 17; Iron Works, No. 18.

Following is a brief presentation of each school:

No. 1.—Kelley District.

Summer term of eight weeks, winter term of nine weeks, both taught by Mrs. Etta M. Gilman.

This school is evidently taking an advanced position as compared with other schools in town, in literary attainments, in the unanimity of efforts for the best good of the school and in manifesting a just appreciation of the rare privileges it is enjoying. The advancement of this school was all that its friends could expect. Order perfect.

Rhetorical exercises unusually interesting from the fact that every member of the school participated. P.

Number of visitors, first term, 15; second term, 25.

No. 2—Potter District.

Summer term of eight weeks taught by Miss Alice M. Ayer.

This teacher possesses many qualifications requisite in a successful teacher. She has a rare faculty of gaining the good will of her pupils and also the more essential faculty of holding the respect and cheerful obedience of her scholars to the close of the term.

Her manner of conducting recitations is such, that she at once enlists the interests of the class, and her explanations and illustrations are so plain and interesting that the closest attention is observed to the close.

Although her efforts and labors were in a house not supplied with the modern arrangements and improvements that many of our school rooms are now blessed with, yet the advancement was satisfactory not only to your committee, but I think to every family in the district, who, I am happy to say, were represented at the closing examination.

This district deserves better school accommodations for their children.

Winter term of eight weeks, taught by Mrs. A. M. Potter. Children do not readily and fully transfer the love and affection formed for one teacher, to that teacher's successor; but in this school the transition was brief and complete as shown, not only by the unanimity of effort on the part of teacher and scholars, but by the substantial improvement made. Mrs. Potter is thoroughly qualified for the vocation of teacher, having had several years of valuable and successful experience. P.

No. of visitors first term, 29; second term, 15.

No. 3.—Hall's Hill.

Summer term of eight weeks, winter term of ten weeks, taught by Mrs. Charlotte J. Collins, a resident of the district, who has had the position of teacher in this district many terms, and always given perfect satisfaction.

This school has labored under great disadvantages for several years past, in being compelled to hold its sessions in a room decidedly unfit for the purposes of a school. We are happy to be able to report, that by the generosity of the town district, we have been able to erect the past year, at an expense of about $600, a comfortable, convenient and commodious school building for the accommodation of the children and youth in this part of the district.

This school, the past year has made commendable improvement. Here are some fine scholars in this school and some well advanced.

No. visitors first term, 9; second term, 7. P.

No. 4—Pond.

One term of ten weeks, taught by Miss May C. Osborn. This school was composed of the children in No. 4 and some from Nos. 5 and 14, thereby constituting a very respectable school as regards numbers and attainments.

Miss Osborn is a very efficient teacher; laboring hard for the advancement of her pupils and with a marked degree of success as shown by the proficiency of the school at the closing examination.

Rhetorical exercises very interesting. Order good.

Number of visitors, 33. P.

No. 5—Smith Meeting House.

Summer term of eight weeks taught by Miss Josie H. Cook.

This was Miss Cook's first experience in teaching. At my first and only visit to this school, I was very much pleased to notice the remarkably good judgment displayed in her management of the school; her quiet, lady-like ways are just suited to win the love and respect of her scholars.

Of the advancement of the school I am unable to report, not having visited it but once, but from inquiries made in the district I feel warranted in saying it was a successful term.

Winter term of nine weeks, taught by Frank N. Merrill. Mr. Merrill has taught in this district several terms and has given good satisfaction so far as I am aware. He manifests much interest in the advancement of his classes, and labors with much zeal for the intellectual progress of his school.

No. visitors first term, 14; second term, 9. P.

No. 6—Cogswell.

Summer term of nine weeks taught by Miss Alice L. Parsons.

This being her first experience and in her own district and for scholars her former schoolmates, I was fearful that her efforts might not be attended with success, but I am pleased to report that my fears were groundless, for the school at its close gave evidence of much profitable work on the part of the teacher with corresponding effort on the part of the scholars.

Order perfect.

Fall term of nine weeks, taught by Miss Alice M. Ayer.

In this school Miss Ayer discharged her duties with a conscientious regard for the best interests of the school, and a realizing sense of the responsible position she occupies.

This school is advancing satisfactorily and compares favorably with other schools in town.

The parents in this district express the interest they take in the intellectual welfare of their children, by visiting their school occasionally and speaking words of encouragement.

No. visitors first term, 8; second term, 12. P.

No. 7—Lougeetown.

Summer term of seven weeks; Fall term of ten weeks, both taught by Miss Carrie M. Sargent.

This is a small school, yet under Miss Sargent's care and direction the school made a very favorable showing, and the closing exercises of both terms were rendered quite interesting. One very noticeable feature in this school was thoroughness, every class seemed to readily understand all that had been passed over during the term.

Order satisfactory.

School house in this district needs a thorough renovation.
No. visitors first term, 7: second term, 10. P.

No. 8—Allen's Mills.

Summer term of seven weeks taught by Miss Myrtie E. Bickford a teacher of some experience. This school is very small, and composed mostly of small scholars; yet Miss Bickford made it a very interesting and profitable term. Order good. Improvement all that could be expected of such young scholars, in so short a time.

Fall term of nine weeks taught by Miss Annie E. Weeks, a resident of the district.

Having had charge of this school before, she well understood the requirements of the scholars, and under her careful teaching the school was a successful one.

Satisfactory progress was made.

No. visitors first term, 12; second term, 14. T.

No. 9—Corner.

Summer term of nine and Fall term of ten weeks, both taught by Miss Olive E. Sanborn an experienced and successful teacher.

This is next to the largest school in town and composed of scholars of all ages, making it necessary to have a large number of classes, requiring a teacher of tact and ability to do justice to each.

Miss Sanborn is an earnest worker, a faithful and conscientious teacher. The school under her charge made rapid and thorough progress.

The closing exercises of both terms were very interesting and were witnessed by a large number of parents and friends of the school.

The classes all did well; classes in spelling and arithmetic deserving of especial mention.

Rhetorical exercises were well committed and nicely rendered, reflecting credit on both teacher and scholars.

At the close of the fall term the teacher was presented with a very beautiful napkin ring from the scholars, as a token of their love and respect.

No. visitors first term, 24; second term, 25. T.

No. 10.—Sanborn.

Summer term of seven weeks, Miss Annie E. Weeks teacher. A small school but by no means an uninteresting one.

The schoolroom appeared quiet and orderly, and the scholars studious. By the earnest effort and kind encouragement of the teacher good advancement was made in all the studies.

The closing exercises were interesting and witnessed by a goodly number of visitors.

Fall term of nine weeks taught by Miss Susie A. Smith, a teacher of recognized ability.

Her school was a very pleasant one; love and good-will existed between teacher and scholars.

The closing examination gave evidence of faithful work.

Miss Smith allows no lesson to be passed over without being perfectly learned and thoroughly understood The classes were all thorough as far as they went; classes in physiology and grammar very interesting. Rhetorical exercises were worthy of much praise.

The parevts and friends present at the closing examination appeared very much interested in the exercises.

The teacher says: "I found this school elcelled any school I have taught in the town of Gilmanton in *manner* of study, deportment and whispering. Not one whispered or asked to speak during the term. Every pupil was ever ready to perform, the best they could the task assigned them, cheerfully; also the parents often visited the school, giving it a new interest and also pleasure to the teacher."

Miss Smith made of this a model school.

No. visitors first term, 30; second term, 11. T.

No. 11—Gale.

Summer term of seven weeks, taught by Miss Minnie Nelson. Without doing injustice to any other school or detracting from the merits of any teacher in town I can pronounce this a model school. Every thing in the school room moved in that precise, quiet and harmonious manner so pleasing to parents and friends of our district schools. Miss Nelson is thoroughly qualified for the position of teacher of children and youth;—kind and considerate in her intercourse with her pupils, mild in her discipline, always listening to their requests with a pleasant look and an encouraging word.

There were some cases of very marked improvement, while every scholar in the school did well. The closing examination and especially the rhetorical exercises were very interesting. The parents in this district take a lively interest in the prosperity and advancement of their school. Although not present with your committee, I learn that there was a general attendance of the parents on the day following—the closing day of the term.

Fall term of ten weeks taught by Josie H. Cook. The same good judgment in the management of her school—the same kind treatment of the children under her care—the same pleasant and lady-like deportment in the school room, noticed in her school in the "meeting house" district, was very apparent in this school. She had the advantage of one term's experience and also of succeeding a very efficient teacher, which assisted to render the term a very successful one.

No. visitors first term, 15; second term, 11. P.

No. 12—Guinea Ridge.

Summer term of seven weeks, fall term of nine weeks, both taught by Miss Abbie L. Lougee, a teacher of some considerable experience, having taught one or more terms in several districts in town.

This is the smallest school in town—too small to warrant the school board in continuing a school in the future, unless there is a change in the number of scholars. At the present time there are only two resident scholars of school age in the district, one of whom can be very well accommodated at a neighboring district; the other must be provided for in some way mutually agreed upon by the parents and the school board.

The advancement in this school the past year, as a matter of course, there being so few scholars, was very satisfactory.

No. visitors first term, 4; second, 5. P.

No. 13—Jones' Mills.

Summer term of nine weeks, taught by Miss Fannie B. Paige. This was her first school.

This is one of our largest schools, and under the circumstances might prove somewhat difficult for a young teacher without previous experience.

Miss Paige labored earnestly for the best good of those under her charge and I think with good success. She possesses all the qualifications necessary for a first-class teacher. If the school was not a success it was not because of any fault of the teacher. T.

Winter term of ten weeks, taught by Miss Susie A. Smith. Miss Smith informed me that she had taught, I think, eighteen terms in this district which speaks much for the intelligence and good judgment of the citizens of this community.

The order in this school was perfect and obtained without any apparent effort on the part of the teacher. Every recitation showed thorough drilling; there was no superficial work; thoroughness was the rule. Classes in physiology made a most excellent showing. I should pronounce the term a success; the teacher having discharged her duty to the pupils, and the scholars evidently did their best to assist the teacher in her arduous, and at times, trying labors. The rhetorical exercises were a very pleasing feature of the examination, and were much enjoyed by the 25 or 30 friends that kindly came in to cheer and encourage their children, and express their appreciation and their high regard for their very worthy teacher.

No. visitors first term, 13; second term, 32. P.

No. 14—Griffin District.

Summer term of seven weeks, taught by Miss May C. Osborn.

Miss Osborn labored earnestly in this school, and, judging from the examination, I should say faithfully for the advancement of the scholars.

A teacher in this school has the sympathy and co-operation of the parents; not being compelled, as in some cases, to bear the burden alone; and for the want of such sympathy and support meet with failure.

If a teacher is not successful in this school it is not for the want of kind and studious scholars, or interested and appreciative parents.

The closing examination was highly interesting and was listened to by some twenty-five friends of the teacher and scholars.

Winter term of ten weeks, taught by Miss Alice M. Ayer. Miss Ayer has taught this school two terms previous to the present, and with excellent success, there always existing the kindest of feelings between teacher, scholars and parents, which fact rendered her labors during the present term very light and pleasing. This school is making satisfactory advancement. Although the school is small there are some fine scholars and all are trying to excel. Visited but once on account of severe storm.

No. of visitors first term. 28; second term, 9. P.

No. 15—Parish.

One term of ten weeks, Miss Etta M. Gilman, teacher. This school is made up of children in No. 15, and Nos. 1 and 2, thereby forming a very interesting school and one that will bear comparison with any other school in town as to literary attainments and a thorough knowledge of the various branches taught. A class of four young men in book-keeping made a very good showing, three having mastered the first four forms in single entry, the other having got to the fourth form; their records were models of neatness, but very few errors or erasures were noticed. Classes in reading excelled. School visited at close by parents and friends.

No. of visitors, 26. P.

No. 17—Lamprey and Rogers.

These schools being small and the distance between them not great it was thought best to combine them, thus making a more interesting and profitable school for all concerned.

Summer term of seven, and fall term of eleven weeks, taught by Miss Alice E. Abbott, in the Lamprey school-house. This was Miss Abbott's first experience as a teacher. She seemed anxious to perform her duties in the school-room faithfully. She kept a good school and gave general satisfaction.

No. of visitors first term, 30; second term, 11. T.

No. 18—Iron Works District.

Summer term of ten weeks, taught by Miss Susie A. Smith of Worcester, Mass., one of our most successful and experienced teachers, having taught many terms in town in previous years, and always giving perfect satisfaction. Miss Smith is too well known and appreciated as an instructress and safe guide to the youth to need any words of praise from me.

Thoroughly qualified as she is to instruct, possessing a large fund of information gathered from many years of experience as teacher of children and youth, and feeling and realizing, as we know she does, the weighty responsibilities resting upon her while in the discharge of her duties as teacher, we think the school exceedingly fortunate that is permitted to enjoy the benefit of her large fund of general information.

At the closing examination I noticed that several of the scholars were absent, yet the closing exercises were very creditable to those present.

We would here remark that parents do their teacher a great injustice and their children a great wrong by allowing them to absent themselves from their school and class duties the last few weeks or days of the term. Circumstances may, however, sometimes arise that renders the absence of a scholar excusable.

Miss Smith remarks in her register, "This school possesses material to make one of the best schools in New Hampshire. If all the parents were aware of their influence and would unite in effort with their teachers, better success would follow."

At the close of the term the teacher received, as a token of love and respect from her scholars, a nice cabinet photograph album.

Winter term of eleven weeks, taught by Miss Hattie B. Cogswell.

At my first visit to this term I was pleased to find the room well filled with some forty little boys and girls whose ages ranged from five to fifteen years, many of them having a very vague idea of their duties in the school room, and others realizing and comprehending fully the great importance of a correct use of the rare privileges furnished them. I also found a teacher possessing apparently every requisite necessary for the position she had assumed except, perhaps, that of *physical endurance*. On that point I had some misgivings. Any one that has had charge of a school of forty scholars and upward, of all ages, all dispositions and all stages of advancement, knows very well that the position is no sinecure. That it requires a large amount of tact, native ability and good judgment to carry a school of this size through a term of eleven weeks successfully is very apparent, yet with the hearty cooperation of parents and scholars Miss Cogswell accomplished the task.

This is a very interesting school. Here we find many bright. keen, inquiring minds; young men and young ladies striving for literary advancement; young men and young ladies who have learned to place a high estimate on literary attainments. on intellectual accomplishments.

Circumstances prevented our being present at the closing examination which we learned was attended by some thirty parents and friends of the school. We are satisfied, however, from careful inquiry of friends of the school that the term was a success; that Miss Cogswell has justly earned an enviable reputation as an instructor of youth.

No. visits first term, 48; second term, 41. P.

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

Kelley District—First term: J. Wheeler Brown, Leon O. Merrill, Mary B. Carr, Georgie E. Brown, Eva G. Osborne, Maud E. Gilman and Mabel F. Kelley. Second term: George G. Allen, J. Wheeler Brown, Leon O. Merrill, Edith Emma Caverly, Maud E. Gilman, Mabel F. Kelley and Eva G. Osborne.

Potter District—First term: Annie M. Barber, Jo. C. Barber, Hattie M. Clough, Charles E. Goodwin, Ernest H. Goodwin, Irene A. Shannon, Clarence Shannon and Arthur B. Pease. Second term: Hattie M. Clough.

Cogswell District—First term: Frank J. Shepard and Thos. Cogswell. Second term: Annie M. Barber, Jo. C. Barber, Esther Goodwin, Grace E. Bemis, Della M. Bemis, Otis F. Ham, and Harry W. Shannon.

Sanborn District—First term. Jennie and Myrtie Sanborn. and Clarence Sargent. Second term: Jennie and Myrtie B. Sanborn, Mary E. Tebbetts, Walter E. Paige, Herbert N. Alden. Clarence L. Sargent and Joseph L. Marsh.

Jones' Mill District—Second term: Walter E. Paige and Albert F. Clifford.

Corner District—First term: Mary A. Wight. Second term: Mary A. Wight, Lilla Durgin, and Flossie B. Twombly.

Parish District—Leon O. Merrill, Maud E. Gilman, Mabel F. Kelley and Edith G. Brown.

Allen's Mill District—First term: Orlo D. Mudgett. Second term: Orlo D. Mudgett, Ralph and Minnie Greenough and Lizzie M. Turner.

Pond District—Fred S. French.

Lougeetown District—First term: Willie A. Randall, Bertha

M. Ellis and Henry P. Ellis. Second term: Bertha M. and Henry P. Ellis.

Guinea Ridge District—First and second terms: Lena A. Moulton.

Lamprey District—First term: Mary A. and Ethel D. Lamprey. Second term: George N. Marsh, Mary A. Lamprey, Lester Ellsworth and Guy Ellsworth, age 5 years.

Gale District—First term: Winnie A. Paige, Dwight R. Paige, Chas. W. Beck, Ivo F. and Blanche F. Weeks. Second term: Charles W. Beck, Ivo F. Weeks, Ines J. Ham.

Deserving of mention—Blanche Weeks, Nellie and Winnie Page

Smith Meeting House District—First term: Curtis R. Brown, Charles S. Peaslee, Nellie C. and Nettie R. Peaslee and Mamie E. Stockbridge. Second term: Charles S., Nettie R. and Bessie M. Peaslee, Lennie B. Barron, Fred W. Page and Mamie E. Stockbridge.

Griffin District—First term: Luella Maxfield. Georgia M. Griffin, Leta M. Griffin, Cora M. Tilton, Lee V. Pease. Howard N. Pease, Amos A. Tilton and Frank A. Wheeler. Second term: Leta M. Griffin, Fred S. French and Frank A. Wheeler.

Hall's Hill District—First term: Walter, Mabel W. and Mary E. Page and Lorenzo H. Perkins. Second term: Walter D. and Mary E. Page.

Worthy of mention.—Guy S. and Russell W. Clough.

No. 18, Iron Works—First term: L. Bell Smith, Hattie M. Smith, Mertie B. Smith, Daisy Smith, Edith M. Page, Bell Marsh, Addie Flanders, Harry Place, Arthur Dorman, Lewis Dorman and Mellen Brown.

Worthy of Mention.—Arthur Bickford, Milton Babb, Clarence Dupar, Carrol Shannon and Warren Marsh.

Second term: Florence Marsh, Bell Marsh, Lena Marsh, Bertha Cook, Ina Connell, Edith Page, Florence Shannon, Winfield Shannon, Carrol Shannon, Charles Haines, Lewis H. Dorman, Arthur Dorman, Ernest Smith and Frank Parsons.

In compliance with the requirements of law, we herewith submit our third annual report of the condition of our schools, of their progress during the year past, and their wants in the future.

There have been thirty-two terms of school taught in seventeen difierent localities the past year: fifteen summer terms, ten fall terms and seven winter terms, under the instruction of one male and seventeen female teachers.

There has been no case of insubordination requiring the inter-

position of the school board on the part of any scholar in town during the year. The kindest of feelings have apparently existed between teachers and scholars.

While some of our schools have not attained to that degree of excellence to which we could have wished, yet none can be regarded as a failure.

We have, we think, been very fortunate in the selection and assignment of teachers the past year; with one exception they are all residents of the town, and in many cases residents of the districts in which they taught, and with the exception of three they have had more or less experience—some many years.

We think our teachers of the past year have realized fully the magnitude of the responsibilities resting upon them as instructors of the youth of our town, and have discharged those duties acceptably to the school board, and we hope satisfactorily to the parents. As a matter of course, our teachers differ in efficiency, adaptability and in literary attainments, not all coming up to that standard of thorough rudimentary knowledge so desirable in teachers of our small district schools; yet all without exception seemed to have labored diligently and faithfully for the advancement of their pupils rather than for the compensation received. As a result of their efforts our schools are making sure and satisfactory advancement; we are satisfied there is a growing interest no only on the part of the children but with the parents; that the parents more readily and more willingly cooperate with teacher and superintendent in their efforts to improve and better the condition of our common schools.

We have made no change in text-books the past year, although there are some that have been in use the full time required by statute, and ought to be taken out of our schools and replaced by more recent publications. We would here remark that when the school board shall decide to make a change in any of the text-books now in use, they will need the intelligent and cheerful co-operation of parents and guardians, as the change when made will be for no other reason than the best interests of your children.

We have the past year adopted and introduced into our schools "Eggleston's History of the United States" as a text-book and as a supplementary reading book, with the most pleasing results; the teachers in every instance coinciding with the school board in the opinion that the study of history has been too long and too generally neglected in our schools. The parents with a unanimity and willingness very commendable have rendered the school board much valuable assistance in making the introduction general, by giving the effort their hearty concurrence and furnishing their children with the necessary books.

We would again call your attention to the matter of absence

on the part of scholars; absence of *your* sons, absence of *your* daughters from class recitations, from their duties as members of the school. According to the teachers' registers there has been 5798 half day absences during the past year, amounting to 2 24-47 weeks school to each scholar in town.

Parents! we appeal to you to rectify this wrong and check this needless waste of valuable time, and thereby make it possible for our teachers to much more effectually discharge their duties to themselves and to the children under their care.

Before closing this report we would say a word to our teachers in relation to their duties and responsibilities as guides and directors of the children and youth of our town. We would have you, in the first place, understand, realize and comprehend to its fullest extent, the important, the lasting and far reaching results of your labors as teachers; that upon you, to a certain extent, depends the future of our town, state and nation; that the direction, the instruction, the counsel that you will give, like the ripple on the surface of the lake, will be felt to the most distant shores of time; that you are in a large degree the sculptors, the architects of the intellects,—the characters even, of those confided to your care. What a responsibility!

We would have you realize that to be successful in the school room, you must be thoroughly qualified to instruct in the different branches pursued, that teaching must be a business, a duty and not a pastime; that no person should ever apply for, or accept a position as instructor because it is convenient, or for the compensation he receives; he should have a higher, a nobler, a grander object in view.

One year ago, at the annual town meeting, it was voted to raise the sum of three hundred dollars in excess of what the law requires for the benefit of our schools. It was most certainly a move in the right direction, and we earnestly recommend that the town take no backward step in the appropriation of means for the improvement of our present school system, for the enlarging and extending the facilities for a thorough education to the children of our town.

Contribute cheerfully and liberally and in future years your sons and your daughters will "rise up and call you blessed."

GEORGE W. PARSONS, } School Board
OWEN J. EDGERLY, } of
FRANK M. TWOMBLY. } Gilmanton.

Gilmanton, Feb. 26th, 1889.

Statistical Table.

Number and name of School.	Term.	Name of Teacher.	Wages per Month.	Length of School in Weeks.	Whole No. of Scholars.	Average Attendance.	No. pupils attending to the following studies: Reading.	Spelling.	Penmanship.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	History.	Algebra.	Physiology.	Bookkeeping.
1 Kelley	Summer	Etta M. Gilman.	$20	8	20	17	20	20	17	17	7	3			6	5
	Winter	" "	24	9	18	16	18	18	18	17	9	2	8	1	3	6
2 Potter.	Summer	Alice M. Ayer.	18	8	14	13	14	14	9	11	11	5			5	
	Winter	A. M. Potter.	20	8	13	11	13	13	7	13	8	8	6		3	2
3 Hall's Hill.	Summer	C. J. Collins.	16	8	11	9	11	11	8	11	7	2	1		3	2
	Winter	" "	18	10	15	12	15	15	11	14	8	5	5		3	2
4 Pond.	Fall	May C. Osborn.	17	10	18	15	18	18	18	18	10	3	2	2	10	2
5 Smith's Meeting House.	Summer	Josie H. Cook.	18	9	11	10	11	11	11	11	11	4	1			
	Winter	Frank N. Merrill.	23	9	21	18	21	21	21	18	19	3	6	5		
6 Cogswell.	Summer	Alice L. Parsons	16	9	12	10	12	12	6	10	11	2			1	2
	Fall	Alice M. Ayer.	18	9	21	20	21	21	10	19	17	5			5	2
7 Lougeetown.	Summer	Carrie M. Sargent.	16	7	7	6	7	7	7	6	3	1				
	Fall	" "	17	10	8	6	8	8	7	7	4					
8 Allen's Mills.	Summer	Myrtie E. Bickford.	16	7	6	5	6	6	2	5	2	1				
	Fall	Annie E. Weeks.	16	9	8	8	7	7	4	8	3	2				
9 Corner.	Summer	Olive E. Sanborn.	22	9	27	24	22	27	27	21	21	10	2		2	
	Fall	" "	26	10	23	21	18	23	23	17	20	6	1		2	
10 Sanborn.	Summer	Annie E. Weeks.	18	7	8	5	7	7	7	5	4	1		1	3	
	Fall	Susie E. Smith.	20	9	9	9	7	7	7	5	4	1		1	3	
11 Gale.	Summer	Minnie E. Nelson.	16	7	8	7	8	8	5	7	3				1	
	Fall	Josie E. Cook.	18	10	10	9	10	10	9	10	5		2		5	
12 Guinea.	Summer	Abbie L. Longee.	16	8	5	4	5	5	4	5	4	4	1			
	Fall	" "	16	8	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1			
13 Jone's Mills	Summer	Fannie B. Paige.	20	9	16	13	16	16	16	15	7	3			4	
	Winter	Susie A. Smith.	22	9	16	13	16	16	16	11	8			1	4	
14 Griffin.	Summer	May C. Osborn.	18	7	11	10	11	11	11	10	3	3	2	2	5	
	Winter	Alice M. Ayer.	20	9	13	12	13	13	9	11	5	4	7	3	2	3
15 Parish.	Fall	Etta M. Gilman.	20	10	21	16	21	21	19	18	7	6			2	6
17 Lamprey.	Summer	Alice E. Abbott.	16	7	7	6	7	7	4	5	3	1			1	
	Winter	" "	16	11	8	7	8	8	6	6	2	1	1			
18 Iron Works.	Summer	Susie A. Smith.	30	10	38	33	38	38	38	38	23	11	1	3	3	
	Winter	Hattie B. Cogswell.	30	11	44	39	37	36	36	36	21	11	22	5	9	

HIGHER BRANCHES—Composition,—No. 4, fall, 5; No. 5, winter, 7; No. 7, summer, 1; No. 9, summer, 4, fall, 1; No. 10, fall, 5; No. 11, fall, 10; No. 13, summer, 7, winter, 9; No. 14, winter, 2; No. 17, winter, 1. Vocal Music—No. 4, fall, 18; No. 7, fall, 4; No. 13, summer, 16, winter, 16; No. 14, summer, 10. Astronomy—No. 18, winter., 1

TABLE NO 2.

Whole number of scholars not less than five years of age who have attended school not less than two weeks, 1887,	228
Whole number of scholars not less than five years of age who have attended school not less than two weeks, 1888,	230
Whole number of different scholars registered in 1887,	231
Whole number of different scholars registered in 1888,	235
Whole number of weeks of school for the year 1887,	222
Whole number of weeks of school for the year 1888,	281
Whole number of terms of school, 1887,	27
Whole number of terms of school, 1888,	32
Average length of terms in weeks, 1887,	8 2-9
Average length of terms in weeks, 1888,	8 23-32
Number of visits by school board, 1887,	53
Number of visits by school board, 1888,	62
Number of visits by citizens, 1887,	399
Number of visits by citizens, 1888,	638
Amount raised by law for school purposes, 1887,	$1,001 00
Amount raised by law for school purposes, 1888,	1,001 00
Amount of literarry money, 1887,	172 80
Amount of literary money, 1888,	196 10
Amount of dog tax, or other money raised by taxation or otherwise, and used for school purposes, 1887,	46 63
Amount of dog tax, or other money raised by taxation or otherwise, and used for school purposes, 1888,	300 00

TREASURER'S REPORT.

OWEN J. EDGERLY, Treasurer of School Board in account with school district in the town of Gilmanton:

1888.		Dr.
July 7,	To cash received of town treasurer,	$ 400 00
Aug. 6,	" "	100 00
28,	" "	100 00
Nov. 21,	" "	250 00
30,	" "	150 00
Dec. 21,	" "	476 10
		$1,476 10

By paid orders issued by school board as follows:

1888.		Cr.
Feb. 23,	By paid Geo. W. Parsons for crayons, dipper, hinges, ex. and repairs on school house,	$ 1 07
July 2,	F. M. Ambrose, for quarto dictionary for the Iron Works school,	2 80
"	Josie H. Cook, teaching 9 weeks, in Smith Meeting House Dist.,	40 50
"	Myrum S. Clough, wood, Dist. No. 2.	4 00
"	May C. Osborn, teaching 7 weeks, Dist. 14,	31 50
"	Minnie E. Nelson, 7 " 11,	28 00
"	Alice M. Ayer, 8 " 2,	36 00
"	Susie A. Smith, 10 " 18,	72 50
"	Etta M. Gilman, 8 " 1,	40 00
"	Carrie M. Sargent, 7 " 7,	28 00
"	Abbie L. Lougee, 8 " 12,	32 00
"	Alice L. Parsons, 9 " 6,	36 00
"	Charlotte J. Collins, 8 " 3,	32 00
21,	Chas. F. Potter, wood, broom and repairs in Dist. No. 2,	1 00
Aug. 1,	Fannie B. Page, teaching 9 weeks Dist. 13,	45 00
"	Myrtie E. Bickford, teaching 7 weeks, Dist. 10,	28 00
11,	Daniel S. Ayer, 1 cord wood,	4 00
"	A. W. Hill, wood,	1 50
"	Alice E. Abbott, teaching 7 weeks Dist. 17,	28 00
"	Olive E. Sanborn, 9 " 9,	49 50
"	Annie E. Weeks, 7 " 10,	31 50
Sept. 14,	Horace D. Ellis, repar. school house Dist. 12,	85
Oct. 22,	Owen J. Edgerly, deficit in '87,	70
13,	Mrs. David Fogg, for cleaning Corner school house,	1 00
22,	Owen J. Edgerly, wood in Gale Dist.,	1 75
"	Chas. F. Merrill, wood, Parish "	1 25

Oct. 22,	By paid Oliver L. Greene, repairs on wood shed in Pond Dist.,	$ 30
Nov. 6,	John R. Sawyer, wood, Corner Dist.,	1 25
Oct. 21,	J. W. Marsh, 2 cords hard wood, I.W.school,	8 00
Nov. 6,	Edward S. Mudgett, wood, water pail, Dist.8,	1 50
"	Nehemiah Pulsifer, wood, Dist. 17.	3 00
"	N. B. Sanborn, " Corner Dist.,	4 00
"	Geo. W. Griffin, wood, Dist. 14.	2 87
"	John Battis, fitting wood Corner Dist ,	25
"	Frank M. Twombly, "	25
19,	Josie H. Cook, teaching 10 weeks, Dist. 11,	42 50
23,	May C. Osborn, 10 " 4,	42 50
16,	Susie A. Smith, 9 " 9,	45 00
Oct. 5,	Edwin S. Nelson, wood, Dist. 2,	3 00
Dec. 1,	Annie E. Weeks, teaching 9 weeks, Dist. 8,	36 00
Nov. 6,	James H. Weeks, wood, Dist. 8,	2 25
16,	Alice E.Abbott, teaching 11 weeks, Dist.17	44 00
9,	Olive E. Sanborn, 10 " 9,	65 00
Dec. 20,	Etta M. Gilman, 10 " 15,	50 00
Oct 22,	Horace D. Ellis, wood for Dist. 7,	1 00
Dec. 15,	Abbie L. Lougee, teaching 8 weeks, Dist.12,	34 00
"	Frank E. Ellis, labor school house, Dist. 11,	20
Dec 1,	Carrie M. Sargent, teaching 10 weeks, Dist 7,	42 50
11,	Elijah O. Merrill, fitting wood, Dist. 1,	75
22,	Joseph W. Merrill, wood, Parish Dist.,	50
Nov. 19,	Joseph Brown, wood, Dist. 1,	6 00
Dec. 29,	George W. Parsons, crayons, postal notes, money orders, etc. for different schools,	1 76
"	Saml. Twombly, setting glass in Lamprey school house,	25
"	James A. Jones, wood for Dist. 13.	4 87
"	Frank M. Twombly, furn. for Jones' Mills and Corner schools,	1 35
29,	Chas. Batchelder, wood furn. Dist. 10,	3 00
21.	Albert R. Page, " Hall's Hill sch.,	2 25
24.	Danford Cook, " Potter school,	1 00
1889		
Jan. 4,	Alice M. Ayer, teaching 9 weeks, Dist. 6.	40 50
"	Daniel S. Ayer, wood, Dist. 5,	2 00
11,	Ardena M. Potter, teaching 8 weeks, Dist. 2,	40 00
17,	Alice M. Ayer, 8 " 14,	45 00
Feb.16.	Hattie B. Cogswell, teaching 11 weeks. Iron Works Dist.,	79 75
"	Charlotte J. Collins, teach. 10 weeks, Dist. 3.	45 00

Feb. 20,	By paid John S. Page, repairs on Smith Meeting house Dist. school house,	$ 1 00
"	Edwin N. Sanborn, repairs on school house in Sanborn Dist.,	1 72
"	Susie A. Smith, teaching 9 weeks in Jones' mills Dist.,	49 50
Jan. 17,	Frank N. Merrill, teaching 9 weeks, Smith Meeting House Dist.,	51 75
7,	David G. Edgerly, drawing wood for Iron Works school house,	25
"	Albert C. Edgerly, sawing wood,	50
22,	Frank N. Merrill, crayons,	25
15,	Ezekiel E. Merrill, wood for Pond Dist.,	2 00
7,	Danford Cook, wood for I. W.,	75
17,	Etta M. Gilman, teaching 9 weeks in the Kelley Dist.,	54 00
Feb. 20,	Owen J. Edgerly, crayons, brooms, pail, dipper, door, lock, printing notices, certificates, postage stamps and stationery,	4 33
"	George W. Parsons, money paid out for stationery and postage stamps,	6 90
		$1.454 72
		$21 38

OWEN J. EDGERLY, Treasurer of School Board.

We the undersigned have carefully examined the foregoing accounts, find them correctly cast and properly vouched and a balance of $21 38 in hands of treasurer.

JOHN W. HAM, JOSIAH D. NELSON, } Auditors.

Gilmanton, Feb. 26, 1889.

FUNDS HELD BY SCHOOL BOARD.

Amount received of prudential committees of old school districts and yet unexpended, in hands of school board. March 1, 1888,			$46 63
1888.			
July 30,	By paid Dist. No. 12 for school purposes,	$4 00	
Dec. 15,	" " " 9 " " "	3 59	
" "	" " " 12 " " "	4 25	
1889.			
Feb. 16,	" " " 3. " " "	4 50	
			$16 34
			$30 29

GEO. W. PARSONS, OWEN J. EDGERLY, FRANK M. TWOMBLY, } School Board of Gilmanton.

REPORT OF BUILDING COMMITTEE

At an adjourned meeting the school district voted to raise six hundred dollars to build a new school-house in what was formerly School District No. 3, one hundred dollars to paint such houses as required painting, and sixty dollars to shingle portions of the school-houses in the Kelley and Pond districts, and chose the school board to expend the same.

In accordance with the votes of the district, the committee have caused to be shingled one-half of the two houses named above at an expense of $29.15. They have also caused to be erected a new house in what was formerly School District No. 3, at an expense of $603.12, (exceeding the appropriation by a few dollars,) which provides for the children in this part of the district a convenient, comfortable and pleasantly located school building.

On account of unfavorable weather during the Fall months, your committee decided to defer the painting of the houses for one year, and, therefore, have used none of the appropriation raised for that purpose.

Following is an itemized account of the receipts and disbursements of the building committee:

GEORGE W. PARSONS, OWEN J. EDGERLY and FRANK M. TWOMBLY, building committee, in account with the school district in the town of Gilmanton.

1888.

To received of the town treasurer of Gilmanton, $635 00

NEW HOUSE EXPENDITURES.

1888.

Sept. 10,	By paid Merrill Bros., thimble,	$1 00
"	J. P. Pitman & Co., lead, oil, &c.,	7 01
Nov. 1,	G. A. Hatch, 2 qts. alcohol,	1 50
"	J. P. Pitman & Co., lead, oil. &c.,	6 83
"	" " " 1 doz. hooks,	24
Nov. 19,	Asa F. Page, painting and paint,	7 75
22,	O'Shea Bros., 2 chairs,	1 50
23,	Sylvester J. Gale, materials, lumber and labor (carpenter work) for school-house on Hall's Hill,	349 81
24,	By paid Frank T. Collins, mason work and furnishing materials, (brick, lime, sand, &c.,)	88 00
22,	By paid Sanders Bros., stove pipe, &c.,	11 15
"	Union School Furniture Co., desks,	69 00
Dec. 8,	Frank T. Collins, transporting desks from Alton,	1 50
Nov. 26,	By paid Albert R. Page, labor in preparing foundation for school-house on Hall's Hill,	27 68

Dec. 24,	By paid H. T. Gilman, labor,	$ 4 00
"	Reuben Giles, making steps,	2 50
"	Thomas Cogswell, writing deed,	75
29,	Frank M. Twombly, 2 blackboards,	7 25
3,	Henry Buswell, freighting steps,	50
29,	Geo. W. Parsons, labor and materials,	4 85
"	Owen J. Edgerly, labor and money paid out,	9 95
31,	James A. Hurd, post-office money order,	35
		$603 12

SHINGLING EXPENSES.

1888.		
Dec. 29,	By paid George W. Parsons, labor,	$3 00
"	E. O. Merrill, shingling Kelley school-house,	4 75
Oct. 16,	Oliver L. Greene, shingling Pond house, finding shingles, nails, &c.,	11 50
Nov. 5,	By paid Geo. W. Parsons, nails and shingles for Kelley school-house and transporting the same,	9 90
		$29 15

Amount drawn from town treasurer,		$635 00
" expended for new house,	$603 12	
" " " shingling,	29 15	
		$632 27
		$2 73
Amount in hands of town treasurer subject to draft of building committee,		$125 00

Gilmanton, Feb. 26, 1889.

GEORGE W. PARSONS,
OWEN J. EDGERLY,
FRANK M. TWOMBLY, } Building Com.

Feb. 26, 1889.

We have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JOHN W. HAM,
JOSIAH D. NELSON, } Auditors.